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DANIEL AND EMILY TOP ORANGE COUNTY BABY NAMES IN 2005

For 2005, Daniel and Emily were the top boy and girl baby names in Orange County, according to Tom Daly, Orange County Clerk-Recorder. Daly's office issues birth certificates for all children born in the county.

Daniel remained the County's most popular boy name for the third year in a row, while Emily moved to the top girls spot after placing second in 2004.

Angel, Jonathan, and Nathan are this year's new additions to the top ten boy names list, while Mia and Ava are the new girl names to make the 2005 list.

The baby names list is compiled by the Clerk-Recorder Department from the 47,566 births recorded in Orange County in 2005, of which 49% were boys and 51% were girls.

Nationally, according to the BabyCenter's 2005 Top Baby Names List, Emma ranked as the most popular girl name, while Aidan was listed as the most popular boy name.

**Top 10 Baby Names
Orange County 2005 (vs. 2004)**

Boy Names		Girl Names	
<u>2005</u>	<u>(2004)</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>(2004)</u>
1) Daniel	(Daniel)	1) Emily	(Ashley)
2) Joshua	(Andrew)	2) Ashley	(Emily)
3) Andrew	(Anthony)	3) Samantha	(Samantha)
4) Anthony	(Joshua)	4) Natalie	(Isabella)
5) Jacob	(Jacob)	5) Mia	(Emma)
6) Angel	(Ryan)	6) Isabella	(Kimberly)
7) Ryan	(Matthew)	7) Sophia	(Natalie)
8) Jonathan	(David)	8) Kimberly	(Sophia)
9) Nathan	(Ethan)	9) Ava	(Madison)
10) David	(Jose)	10) Madison	(Jessica)